

Docket No.: 325772009100

(PATENT) . NO

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Kenji MASAKI

Application No.: 09/287,530

Filed: April 7, 1999

For: DIGITAL IMAGE PROCESSING

APPARATUS

8 | 5 | 0 | Art Unit: 2625

Examiner: B. Choobin \

4/1997

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116(b)

RECEIVED

APR 2 2 2004

MS AF
Commissioner for Patents

Technology Center 2600

P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action dated February 6, 2004 (Paper No. 25). Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.